

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE: 4-3-90

FULL NAME WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON S.S. NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY WINDSOR PROVINCE ONTARIO STATE ON ZIP CODE N9B 3B9

DATE OF BIRTH 12-8-30 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION ANGLICAN NATIONALITY (Citizen of) ? (PROBABLY CANADA)

OCCUPATION SUPERINTENDENT, UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR/CANTEBURY COLLEGE

EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL (LAST RECORDED)

WEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ RACE WHITE

COLOR OF HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR OF EYES \_\_\_\_\_

ANY DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS \_\_\_\_\_

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED ☐ SINGLE ☐ NAME OF SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name, number, ages, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
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Chartered Organization \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

INCIDENT: TYPE	DATE OF INCIDENT	RESOLUTION
Type		Resolution

- 1=Scout Related
- 2=Non-scout related
- 3=homosexual (not specifically with youth)

- 1. Internal (only Scouts Know)
- 2. Criminal action
- 3. Court action
- 4. Probationary status
- 5. Reported to state agency

**NOTED**

**APR 01 1990**

Check off list of attached documentation

- 1. Joseph L. Anderson of incident
- 2. Victim(s) statement
- 3. media reports
- 4. Legal proceedings
- 5. Offender's statement
- 6. Official notification of termination
- 7. Found guilty/innocent by court

CONFIDENTIAL

APR 10 1990

Council DETROIT AREA, #262

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUT EXECUTIVE

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CONF005203

May 3, 1990

Mr. Robert M. Shoemaker  
Scout Executive  
Detroit Area Council, No. 262

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON

Dear Bob:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

READY TO FILE  
MAY 5 1990  
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF005204



Detroit

Area

Council

Boy

Scouts

America

1776 W. Warren

Detroit, MI 48208

(313) 897-1965

Fax (313) 897-9870



April 3, 1990

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, S108  
Director, Registration Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P. O. Box 152079  
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL      SUBJECT: WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON

Dear Paul:

Enclosed you will find a confidential record sheet per your request. This is all of the information we have at this time as he lives in Canada. The Scout Executive in Canada will try to get more information for us.

I am also enclosing a letter from the Canadian Scouts showing when they suspended him pending their investigation and a report of an incident that happened in our camp last summer, which he attended unknown to us with a Canadian group.

This should complete your file.

Sincerely,

THOMAS D. TRAINOR  
Director of Administrative Services

TDT:sm1  
Enclosures



## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079  
[REDACTED]

June 19, 1989

Mr. Robert M. Shoemaker  
Scout Executive  
Detroit Area Council, No. 262

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON

Dear Bob:

I have received a lot of information from your council related to the above named individual. This is most helpful and will support our refusal of registration anywhere Mr. Anderson might attempt it in the future.

We still need a Confidential Record Sheet which we, so far, have not received. I am enclosing one which I would like to have completed to the best of your ability.

Thanks for your help in completing this file in order to protect the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: East Central Region

CONF005206



WINDSOR COUNCIL

March 23, 1990

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. William Anderson



Windsor, Ontario  
N9B 3B9

Dear Mr. Anderson:

As a result of complaints about your conduct at Boys Scouts of America's D Bar A Camp last summer, I have been informed by B.S.A. that your name has been added to their Confidential List, thus denying you any access to B.S.A. facilities.

While an inquiry is conducted into the nature of these complaints, it is my duty to request that you immediately suspend any further activity with Boy Scouts of Canada, until further notice.

You will be informed as to the outcome of the inquiry and when this suspension will be lifted.

Sincerely yours,

Art Hemstreet  
District Commissioner

cc: P. McBryan, Executive Director  
F. Spence, Executive Director, Provincial Council for Ontario  
W. Tribe, Great Lakes Regional Commissioner  
R. Edwards, Provincial Field Executive, Great Lakes Region  
K. Moore, Executive Director, Administration, National Council  
J. Hencher, Group Committee Chairman

BOY SCOUTS OF CANADA  
3085 MARENTETTE AVENUE,  
WINDSOR, ONTARIO N8X 4G1 TEL:



A United Way Agency

CONF005207

# DEPOSITION

10 JULY 1989

OF WEBER'S SCOUT [REDACTED], P. 354 DETROIT

DETROIT MI 48207  
[REDACTED]

I SCOUT [REDACTED] DO HEREBY STATE FOR  
THE RECORD THAT

SOMETIMES MR. ANDERSON + CHRIS WOULD KISS  
SOME OF THE SCOUTS FROM CANADA. AND ALSO  
TRY TO TICKLE THEM AND PINCH THEM ON  
THEIR BREASTS AND LOWER STOMACH. AND ONE  
MORNING WHEN [REDACTED] WAS GETTING  
DRESSED MR. BILL ANDERSON PUT ICE DOWN  
HIS BUTT AND IT SEEMED LIKE HE WAS TRYING  
TO FEEL HIS BUTT. AND THEN WALKED AWAY  
+ STARTED "LAUGHEDING." CHRIS PINCHED ME  
AND [REDACTED], AND MOST OF THE KIDS FROM  
CANADA ON THE BREASTS. AND THEN HE  
(CHRIS) WOULD PUT HIS ARM AROUND ME AND  
PINCH MY BREAST WHILE LAUGHING + TALKING  
TO ME AT THE SAME TIME. I THINK THAT  
MR. ANDERSON + CHRIS WERE TOUCHING THE  
CANADIAN KIDS FOR SO LONG UNTIL SOME OF  
THE CANADIAN KIDS SORT OF GOT GAY TOO.

AND SOME OF THE CANADIAN KIDS TRIED TO TOUCH ME + SOME OF THE AMERICAN KIDS TOO.

SOMETIMES WHEN PEOPLE WERE IN THEIR BUNKS TRYING TO GO TO SLEEP, BOTH CHAS + MR. ANDERSON WOULD PUT THEIR HANDS DOWN INTO THE SLEEPING BAGS OF THE CANADIAN KIDS AND FEEL AROUND. THIS HAPPENED MOSTLY EVERY NIGHT FROM JUST ABOUT TUESDAY ON.

SOMETIMES WHEN WE WERE KIND OF SAID - OUT DEPRESSED - HE (CHAS) WOULD PUT HIS ARM AROUND US AS IF HE WAS TRYING TO MAKE US FEEL BETTER. I DID NOT LIKE THIS BECAUSE IT SEEMED LIKE HE WAS NOT REALLY TRYING TO HELP US, BECAUSE HIS HAND HUNG TOO LOW.

THIS IS THE END OF MY STATEMENT.

SIGNED: [REDACTED]

WITNESSED: [REDACTED]

PATIENT

ATTEST: [REDACTED]

SUBSTANCE EXECUTIVE

# DEPOSITION

10 JULY 1986

OF WEBER'S SGT. [REDACTED]

P. 354 DETROIT

DETROIT MT 4-8715  
[REDACTED]

I SGT. [REDACTED]

DO HEREBY

STATE FOR THE RECORD THAT

EVERY MORNING THE CUB SCOUT MASTER BILL ANDERSON WOULD PUT SHAVING CREAM ON EVERY BODY AND ICE CUBES DOWN THEIR PANTS OR SHIRTS, AND SOMETIMES HE WOULD TICKLE THEM ALL OVER, THE STOMACH AREA. HE (BILL ANDERSON) AND CHRIS (HIS ADULT ASSISTANT) WOULD HIT THE CANADIAN SCOUTS ON THEIR BUTTS. AND CHRIS WOULD FEEL ON THEIR CHESTS. AND THEY PUT SOAP DOWN THEIR MOUTHS (LIQUID SOAP) IF THEY SAID ANYTHING BAD. AND SOMETIMES HE WOULD PUT THEM IN A BARREL OF WATER.

BILL ANDERSON WOULD PUT AN ICE CUBE DOWN ONE OF THE AMERICAN'S UNDERWEAR, BEFORE HE WAS DRESSED. THIS BOY'S NAME IS [REDACTED] BILL ANDERSON LAUGHED AT THIS + THEN WALKED AWAY. HE ALWAYS LAUGHED AT EVERYTHING HE DID. TO THE CUB SCOUTS,



THIS IS THE END OF MY STATEMENT

SIGNED

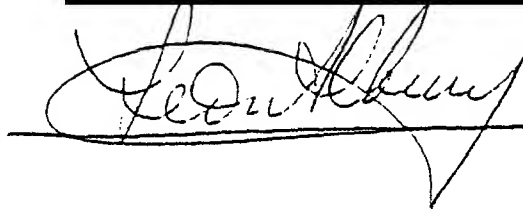


WITNESS



(WITNESS)

ATTEST

 SR. DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

# DEPOSITION

11 JULY 1989

OF MR. MILTON BELL, C.M. P. 354 DETROIT

DETROIT MI 48221

I CUBMASTER MILTON BELL HEREBY STATE FOR THE RECORD THAT

I WAS IN CAMP, WITH MY BOYS, 85% OF THE TIME. THE ONLY MAJOR TIME I LEFT THEM WAS IN THE MIDNIGHT HOURS WHEN I WAS DOING "HOUSEKEEPING" CHORES (LATRINES), AND OTHER PERSONAL TIMES.

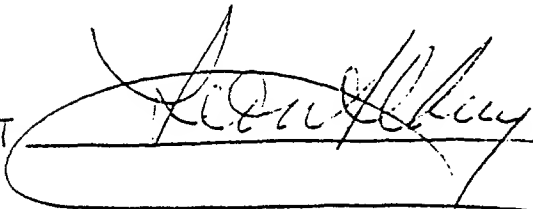
I OBSERVED BILL ANDERSON COUNSELING KIDS WITH HIS ARM AROUND THEIR SHOULDERS, IN A FATHERLY WAY. I DID MAKE MENTION, IN A PASSING CONVERSATION, THAT "TOUCHING" IS NOT SOMETHING THAT IS DONE IN OUR UNIT. HIS RESPONSE WAS "WELL THAT'S JUST THE WAY I AM."

CUB SCOUT [REDACTED] DID COME TO ME, ONE DAY, ASKING WHY IT WAS THAT MR. ANDERSON PUT HIS ARMS AROUND THE BOYS.

I ANSWERS SAYING " I DID NOT KNOW; BUT  
YOU KEEP AWAY FROM HIM; BUT IF HE PUTS  
HIS ARM AROUND YOU, COME LET ME KNOW! "

THIS IS THE END OF MY STATEMENT.

SIGNED Milton C Bee CM P. 354

ATTEST  SR. DISTRICT EXAMINER

February 14, 1990

READY FOR FILE

FEB 14 1990

JULIE FIELDER

Mr. Robert H. Shoemaker  
Scout Executive  
Detroit Area Council, No. 262

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON

Dear Bob:

I really hate to bother you again, but I would like to complete our file related to the above named individual. I really need your help on what we should do on this situation.

I have read the whole file and personally feel that Mr. Anderson used very poor judgment in the past. Perhaps, this was all related to his alcoholism.

If you really feel he should be registered at this time, then I need a letter from you stating the rationale for this decision.

If you feel he should be left on the confidential file and registration refused, then I must have an Ineligible Volunteer Record Sheet. I am enclosing one for your use.

Please help me complete this file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: East Central Region

CONF005214

READY FOR FILE

NOV 15 1989

A. GRAVES

November 14, 1989

Mr. Robert M. Shoemaker  
Scout Executive  
Detroit Area Council, No. 262

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: William John Anderson

Dear Bob:

I really appreciate the help which you gave us concerning the above named individual. I have carefully read all of the material which was sent and still feel Mr. Anderson should be refused registration.

I am enclosing an Ineligible Volunteer Record Sheet which I would like to have completed, so we can identify Mr. Anderson. Please give us as much information as you have available.

Please call if you have any questions, or if I may be of further help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

CONF005215

June 19, 1989

READY FOR FILE

JUN 19 1989

JULIE EATON

Mr. Robert M. Shoemaker  
Scout Executive  
Detroit Area Council, No. 262

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON

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We still need a Confidential Record Sheet which we, so far, have not received. I am enclosing one which I would like to have completed to the best of your ability.

Thanks for your help in completing this file in order to protect the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: East Central Region

CONF005216

March 22, 1989

READY FOR FILE

MAR 23 1989

Mr. Thomas D. Trainor  
Director of Administrative Services  
Detroit Area Council, No. 262

PERSONAL AND CO-CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON

Dear Tom:

Thank you for all the material you recently sent concerning the above named individual. This is most helpful and I certainly think that Mr. Anderson should be on our confidential file and refused registration anywhere he attempted it. His character does not seem to be too stable at times.

The only thing we are still missing is a Confidential Record Sheet. If you could complete the enclosed sheet with personal information, we would then be able to identify Mr. Anderson and make certain he does not register anywhere else. Thanks so much for your help in completing this file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: East Central Region  
Robert H. Shoemaker, Scout Executive Council No. 262

CONF005217

March 15, 1989

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Area  
Council  
Boy Scouts  
Of  
America

1776 W. Warren  
Detroit, MI  
48208



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Mr. Paul I. Ernst, S108  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P. O. Box 152079  
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Dear Paul:

This is in response to your letter regarding William John Anderson. Mr. Anderson was affiliated with Pack 1022 as Webelos Leader. Listed below are some of the facts as we received them.

In 1982, Mr. Anderson was living on [REDACTED] in Royal Oak, Michigan. He was 53 years of age and was registered with Troop 1628 and Troop 1601. He was asked to resign due to his drinking problems.

In May of 1984, we received a complaint about Mr. Anderson hugging boys in uniform.

In July of 1984, we received a call that Mr. Anderson was impersonating an Anglican priest and that he had borrowed \$20.00 from the Cubmaster and never repaid him. It was also stated that he was intoxicated on many occasions. On investigation, we found out that he was associated with the All Saints Anglican Church in Windsor, Ontario. We also found out that he had some drinking problems in Windsor.

During 1984, substantial questions were raised about Mr. Anderson, like where he was living, what his source of income was, how he got transportation, what his background, education, employment and family were.

In July of 1984, Mr. Anderson worked for the Detroit Area Council as a summer camp counselor. When all of this information was brought to our attention, he was dismissed.

In May of 1988, we received a letter from the All Saints Anglican Church stating that Mr. Anderson was the youth minister of All Saints Church and had been for several years. We also received a letter from the Brentwood House, where Mr. Anderson had undergone treatment for drinking from July 1984 through October 1984. They stated that he had maintained sobriety since that time.

Mr. Anderson's current address is [REDACTED] Windsor, Ontario N9B-3B9.

Hope this helps.

Sincerely,

THOMAS D. TRAINOR  
Director of Administrative Services

TDT:sm1  
cc: Tom Heath



## *All Saints' Anglican Church*

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[REDACTED]  
WINDSOR, ONTARIO  
[REDACTED]

September 12, 1987.

Detroit Area Council of Boy Scouts,  
Detroit, Michigan.

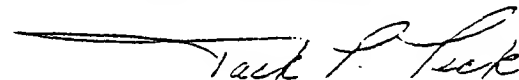
To Whom It May Concern:

This is to acknowledge that Mr. William Anderson has the valued role of Youth Minister of All Saints' Church. As such he is responsible for the oversight of our Server's Guild (9:30 am) and our Teen Youth Program for the Parish. In addition Mr. Anderson arranges our annual Scout, Guide, church recognition service.

I am very happy to verify that in his role as Youth Minister Mr. Anderson brings an intense interest in young people and excellent personal skills.

We value his personal contribution to our Parish very much.

Yours sincerely,



Jack P. Peck  
Archdeacon of Essex.

JPP:am



2335 DOUGALL AVENUE, WINDSOR, ONTARIO N8X 1S9 • PHONE [REDACTED]

September 10, 1987

Boy Scouts of America  
Detroit Area Council

To Whom It May Concern:


Re: Bill Anderson

We would like to inform you that Bill Anderson underwent our treatment program here at Brentwood from July 11, 1984 to October 13, 1984 at which time he successfully completed our program.

We are happy to say that Bill has maintained sobriety since that time and has continued to come back as an alumni on a regular basis.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

  
Paul A. Charbonneau (Reverend)  
Director

CONF005220

## MEMO FOR THE CONFIDENTIAL FILE

Received a call from Earl Moorhouse on July 23, 1984. He was going through some of his mail and noticed a paragraph in the minutes of the June commissioner meeting regarding the whereabouts of Bill Anderson.

Earl indicates Bill Anderson is at the Brentwood Sanitarium (the old Elmwood Casino) for alcoholism rehabilitation for 90 days - until the middle of October.

JOE WYCKOFF  
Scout Executive

7-24-84:san

CONF005221

PERSONAL &  
CONFIDENTIAL

NOTES

Bill Anderson

On Monday, July 2, 1984, David Sanger called to thank us for our prompt action in removing Bill Anderson from the camp staff. He stated that Anderson was making some calls on people he knows in Pack and Troop 1022 and asking if they know why he was relieved from camp. The Cubmaster evidently told him that he did not know why, and an Assistant Scoutmaster, I believe by the name of Anders, stated it could have been because he impersonated an Anglican priest and that he borrowed \$20 from him which he did not repay and that maybe that was the reason.

Sanger said that Anderson did show up for the troop Court of Honor a couple of weeks back. He was not a direct part of the program. He had with him a young Scouter from Windsor who evidently was the leader of the 75th Cub group. The man's name, we believe, is [REDACTED]. Sanger does have that information in his notes about the Court of Honor if that becomes important. He is in his early twenties.

Sanger stated that the pack committee chairman should be sending us a statement concerning Anderson rather than the Cubmaster. He suggested that if we need to follow-up on the situation that Frank Cleary would be a good man to do so since he seems to have influence with the pack.

Sanger stated that an Assistant Scoutmaster by the name of Nichols has seen Anderson so drunk that he passed out at a table.

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CONF005222

CONFIDENTIAL

[REDACTED]  
Bloomfield Hills  
Michigan 48013  
June 1, 1984

Mr. Joe Wyckoff  
Scout Executive  
Detroit Area Council  
[REDACTED]

Detroit, Michigan 48208

Dear Mr. Wyckoff:

Mr. Frank Cleary, District Commissioner for North Trails District, asked me to send a Leadership Evaluation Form on Mr. Bill Anderson. This letter supplements the Council form.

Background

I have known Bill since he was on Staff at D-A Scout Ranch in the summer of 1982. At that time, Bill was Camp Commissioner for my Troop during our week at D-A. Bill was also Webelos leader during Webelos Week at D-A in August 1982. My younger son, [REDACTED], was a Webelos at that time and was with a group of 10 boys from Pack 1022 who were under Bill's guidance during Webelos Week.

My initial contact with Bill was very positive. He appeared to be an enthusiastic Scouter and a genuine person. He quickly established rapport with both boys and adults. He was cordial and outgoing, always shaking hands with adults and occasionally hugging those boys he knew. Bill told me that he was able to take time off from his duties as Director of Christian Education at All Saints Church in Windsor to be on Staff at summer camp. He told me that he lived in Royal Oak. He also told me that he was retired from the Canadian military and that provided him a source of income.

During the 10 month period from September 1982 through June 1983, Bill came to the weekly meetings of Troop 1022 occasionally. He also participated in several Courts of Honor. He always appeared in full uniform.

During the summer of 1983, Bill was again on the Staff of D-A. He was our Commissioner at D-A in Jack Lord sub-camp. Sometime during the summer, Bill discussed the administration of Pack 1022 with Dr. Bud Straffon, Cubmaster. I understand that Bill volunteered to organize the Webelos program at Pack 1022 during the coming year. He undertook that program, with 23 boys. During the early months of the program, Bill was assisted by his younger son, [REDACTED]. After Christmas, 1983, [REDACTED] was no longer active.

The Webelos program under Bill's direction was well run and active. They held meetings weekly at Conant School, with nearly 100% attendance. I attended several meetings myself and was impressed with the organization. I should also add that Bill established a Den Chief program, with 5 Scouts from my Troop (including my younger son, [REDACTED]). Bill was successful in teaching

the Webelos, promoting activities at meetings, and in securing parent involvement. He usually had 2-3 Fathers in attendance at each meetings.

The Webelos also participated in several Dad and son camping experiences during the past year. These included cabin campouts at D-A in November and December (two, one a weekend and the other during Christmas week), January at CHR, and March at D-A. Attendance was good, with excellent participation from Webelos, Dads, and Den Chiefs. Bill attended each camping event and (to my knowledge) planned the activities and menus and procured the food.

The year was successful; 19 of the Webelos received the Arrow of Light award at the Pack meeting on May 17. To date, 16 of these boys have joined Troop 1022. He established the first successful Webelos program at Pack 1022 in the 6 years that I have known the unit. I should add that his program was better than those offered to each of my sons during their year in Webelos.

Bill Anderson's activities during two weeks of Summer Camp with my Troop, his occasional visits to Troop meetings during the past two years, and his leadership in the Webelos Den during the past 9 months was clearly according to the highest ideals of Scouting.

#### Problems

This past January, several items came to my attention that caused me to question Bill's background. First, the telephone at his apartment was disconnected (according to Michigan Bell; according to Bill the phone had a mechanical problem requiring phone company access to his apartment. Bill told me that he was too busy to stay home and give the phone company access). Upon further checking, I found that the phone was listed in the name of Dr. Bob Fineout. I knew that Bill had shared another apartment with Bob Fineout between the last two years of summer camp; I also knew that Bob was in a Veterans Hospital.

Second, he told me that he had obtained a part-time job as counselor for Clawson Junior High School. (Clawson Junior High School is now Clawson Middle School). I attempted to contact him at Clawson Middle School, but was informed that he was unknown at that School. I then attempted to contact him at All Saints Anglican Church in Windsor. I placed a call to All Saints; the clerk at the rectory told me that she understood that Bill was working at Bloomfield Hills Middle School. That information also proved to be false. I questioned Bill about these discrepancies, but he dismissed them lightly. I was concerned about prying into his personal affairs and did not pursue the point.

Third, Bill related to me an incident that occurred on the Christmas camping trip to D-A. Bill told me that one night, after the Scouts and Dads had gone to bed, he was awakened by a noise. Upon investigating, he found one of the Den Chief's in the same bunk as one of the Webelos Scouts. Bill

told be that he grabbed his flashlight, went over to the bunk, and checked the younger Scout for signs of sexual activity (Bill told me that he was ashamed to tell me that he had checked the younger Scout for an erection). Bill told me that he suspected homosexual behavior on the part of the Den Chief. I told Bill that such investigations are not a part of a Scouters job and that he should contact the younger Scout's parents if necessary.

Throughout the month of January, 1984, Bill continued to contact me to discuss Scouting. As mentioned above, his son [REDACTED] (with whom I understood he had been living in Royal Oak and who provided transportation for Bill with his pickup truck) became inactive in the Webelos program. Bill arranged to have Webelos parents transport him from Royal Oak to and from Webelos meetings and events. My only means of contacting Bill was when he called me. His phone was still disconnected, according to the Michigan Bell recording.

In late January, the Cubmaster told me that (on the January Webelos camping trip to CHR) Bill Anderson had left camp for several hours on Friday night. The Cubmaster told me that the Webelos were left in the hands of two Fathers and that during Bill's absence a Scout was injured in a sledding accident. The Cubmaster told me that the absence was not a problem, but that the other fathers suspected that Bill's trip into Brighton was to socialize with other Scouters. The Cubmaster and I discussed this incident; I mentioned my recent observations regarding Bill's phone and the discrepancy about his school-related employment. We agreed to begin collecting facts.

I made several attempts to gather more information during the next month; meanwhile the questions of where Bill was living and how to contact him became more of a puzzle-- Bill acted as if everything was normal. His phone was still disconnected; he would often take the bus to within a mile of Conant School for Webelos and Troop meetings and then ask to be driven home to Royal Oak, sometimes being dropped off at his apartment and often at other locations (drug store and restaurant, for example).

I discussed the situation with Howard Volkening, Scoutmaster of Troop 1931 in Fraser. Bill previously (up through May 1983) was Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 1931. Howard told me that he met Bill at Wood Badge training in 1978. Howard told me that Bob Krasky (Scoutmaster of the Troop sponsored by St. Dennis in Royal Oak) also knew Bill through the same Wood Badge course and through Bill's sons [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who had been active in the Troop. I told Howard about my concerns about Bill. Howard told me that he was aware that Bill had an alcohol problem, but thought it was under control. Howard stated further that Bill had been a custodian for Royal Oak Manor for several years, but lost that job due to an injury. Howard stated further that Bill worked at All Saints in Windsor and suggested that I call Reverend Canon Peck, Rector.

In early March, I talked with Canon Peck by phone. I told him that I was involved with Scouting and that I was concerned about Bill Anderson. Canon Peck told me that Bill has been Superintendent of Sunday School for 4-5 years; it is a Sunday job only. Bill is paid an honorarium for this service. I inquired about Bill's alleged status as Deacon (Bill had appeared at a Troop meeting and at a Sunday service at Christ Church Cranbrook for two

of my Scout's God and Country award wearing a Roman collar; I saw him on both occasions). Canon Peck told me that Bill is not a Deacon and is not entitled to wear the Roman collar. Canon Peck also told me that Bill has an on-going problem with alcohol abuse. In fact, Canon Peck told me that he had reprimanded Bill in January for this problem and that Bill had tendered his resignation effective June 30.

In mid-March, I alerted Jim Stone to my findings and asked for his help in evaluating Bill's background and in determining if the two units at Conant School (1022) should continue the relationship with Bill. My major concern was over the information I did not know; I was also concerned, as was the Cubmaster, of the impact of Bill's recent actions on the units. Jim told me that he subsequently discussed Bill Anderson with Ken Poulson, Camping Director. Jim told me that Ken was aware of Bill's drinking problem, his loss of employment at Royal Oak Manor, and that he had endured a difficult divorce "within the past 4 years". Jim said further that Ed Baser had Bill's camp application and that he would discuss the situation with Ed. Jim Stone stated further that Bill's performance for the Council had been exemplary and there appeared to be no basis for concern.

*We must take action  
JW*

Sometime during the month of April, one of my Assistant Scoutmasters was asked by Bill to drive him home following a Troop meeting. My Assistant told me that he had taken Bill to the downtown Detroit YMCA and that he was living there. Further, during the February-May time period, I am aware of at least 4 occasions when Bill asked to be bought dinner while being taken home by one of my Assistants or one of the Webelos parents. I am aware of two other occasions wherein he suggested that they stop for a drink; on each occasion I understand that was done. I also know that Bill borrowed \$20 from another Assistant Scoutmaster in January; to date that has not been repaid.

#### Present Situation

Substantial concern has been mounting since January, 1984, regarding Bill Anderson. Primary questions are: where is he living? what is his source of income? how does he get transportation? what is his background(education, family, and employment)?, and, probably most important, why does he continue to cover situations? I found myself torn between trying to help Bill, being careful not to meddle, and trying to be alert for parent's observations and questions. The Cubmaster and Committee Chairmen (Pack and Troop) are personal friends and discussed this situation often. I believed we felt that the situation would improve and that the year would soon be over.

On May 22, I received a call from Bill Anderson following our weekly Troop meeting. The call was made at 9:30 PM. Bill inquired about the Troop meeting, about how his former Webelos were doing, and then began discussing the International Cub event between Pack 1022 and a Unit from Toronto scheduled for the weekend of June 8-10. I talked with Bill for about 20 minutes.

The following afternoon I received a call from Bill at my office. To my surprise, Bill had no knowledge of the previous night's conversation. In fact, he repeated the entire agenda of subject material. This incident



left me puzzled.

That evening I received a call from Bud Straffon, Cubmaster. Bud told me that he was resigning as Cubmaster unless Bill Anderson was terminated immediately. Bud told me that there were unresolved problems between the Canadian Cubmaster and Bill Anderson. I suggested that Bud call Frank Cleary.

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The following day I called Frank and discussed the situation. Frank said that he had alerted Jim Stone and that I should await a request to complete a Leadership Evaluation.

On Saturday morning, May 26, I was invited to attend a meeting that morning involving Bud Straffon and Jim Wearn, Committee Chairman. I was told that the intent was to relieve Bill of his Pack duties immediately. The reason to be told Bill for the action was that there was a need for more parent involvement and that Bill was an outsider and not a parent. I declined to attend, stating that I believed that Pack action should await Council review (that had been initiated by Frank Cleary)

### Conclusions

Bill Anderson has been deceptive with the Troop and Pack. Perhaps these questions grow in importance given the suburban nature of Pack and Troop 1022 and the strong parent involvement. The people we know in the units live in the neighborhood. We have learned to trust each other at face value-- and honest in employment and other aspects of their everyday life.

Clearly, we are not accustomed to deception. Deception causes distrust on the part of the parents. Soon, all leaders are suspect. I believe this is why Pack 1022 leaders felt a need to act swiftly.

Bill Anderson has done an outstanding job as Webelos leader; he has also given notable service to the Council camps. To the contrary, he appears to have little or no source of income, no transportation, minimal employment, and a reported drinking problem. I say reported-- I believe that during several of his phone calls I detected a slurring of speech. I must add, however, that at no time was he seen in Scout uniform acting as if under the influence. The logical question centers about the impact of these discrepancies on the safety of the Scouts under his control.

### Recommendation

I believe that we must strive to be fair and empathetic, yet firm in protecting the boys and the reputation of the Scouting movement.

Scouting appears to be very important to Bill and we must be careful not to hurt him or destroy him.

I recommend that the Council conduct a thorough evaluation and examination of the facts. The primary thrust must concern his employment at Summer

Camp this year. His background must be checked. Other Scouters who know Bill should be contacted. His employment should be verified. References should be contacted. His family should be contacted (I know that his ex-wife and three sons live in the Royal Oak area). I believe that answers must be obtained without raising suspicion or discrediting the individual. The result of this investigation will guide the Council in deciding on Camp employment; the results (in the form of a recommendation) should also be shared confidentially with Troop and Pack 1022 leadership. While his position with Pack 1022 is a unit decision, I believe that both units were heavily influenced in Bill's favor by his previous employment with the Council.

I should be happy to assist you in any way. You may call me at [REDACTED] during the business day or at [REDACTED] at home.


Because of the highly confidential information contained in this letter, I must ask that you regard this letter as privileged and personal for your use only. I would also ask that you obtain my permission before copying or showing the contents to any other persons.

[REDACTED]  
Scoutmaster  
Troop 1022

M E M O

May 24, 1984

TO: Joe Wyckoff

From: Jim Stone SUBJ: BILL ANDERSON, WEBELOS LEADER, PACK 1022

Frank Cleary informed me last evening that there is a great concern on the part of the Pack Committee of Pack 1022, Conant School, Bloomfield Hills, in regards to the morality of their Webelos Leader, Bill Anderson.

He has lied to the Pack Leadership on several occasions and Frank and LaVerne Cleary observed him in affectionate embraces with boys while they were attending a recent pack meeting. Bill sat at the same table as Frank and LaVerne and referred several times to how "pretty" or "lovely" certain boys were. Frank observed him alone outside the building with some of the boys and according to Frank, Bill was touching the boys "below the belt."

Frank and the Pack Committee are currently completing a Confidential Leadership Evaluation Form which they will submit to us.

You should also know that Bill has been hired to work on the D-A Ranch Staff this summer and that I have informed Ken Poulson regarding these allegations of the Pack Committee and the District Commissioner.

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A. GRAVES

March 2, 1989

Mr. Robert M. Shoemaker  
Scout Executive  
Detroit Area Council, No. 252

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: William John Anderson

Dear Bob:

Last December I had a telephone conversation with Tom Trainor related to the above named individual. He, apparently, was registered in your council, but in 1984 some problem developed and he was refused registration at that time. No information was sent to the National Office.

We did receive a letter from the Boy Scouts of Canada asking for information on Mr. Anderson since he was considered unacceptable to the Canadian Scouting. Apparently, something had happened in London, Ontario.

We would like to establish a file at this time, even though the Canadian authorities have not given any additional information. We feel that the information which Tom gave us related to his drinking problem, mishandling of funds, and poor leadership would be enough to refuse registration.

If you agree with our assessment of this situation, we would like to have a Confidential Record Sheet completed and any other material you could send which would help us to substantiate our refusal.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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December 15, 1968

Mr. R. N. Moore  
Executive Director  
Administration Services  
Boy Scouts of Canada

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

[REDACTED]  
Ottawa, Ontario K2C 3G7  
Canada

Dear Sir:

I have reviewed your recent letter to Cliff Eng regarding William John Anderson in the Detroit Council with Paul Ernst, the Director of our Registration Service. Mr. Ernst reviewed the matter with the Detroit Area Council and provided the following information.

Apparently, a problem developed in 1964, and at that time Mr. Anderson was refused registration in the Detroit Area Council, although no material was sent to the National Office. A request for reinstatement occurred in 1968 and the Detroit Area Council indicated at that time they would not refuse registration to Mr. Anderson. He has not applied and is not presently registered.

Apparently Mr. Anderson had a drinking problem, had mismanaged funds at various times, and had demonstrated poor leadership ability. Based on the information gained by Mr. Ernst in discussion with Detroit officials, William John Anderson has been placed on the confidential file of the Boy Scouts of America which makes him unacceptable for registration in the future.

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Any information regarding reasons why he is unacceptable with the Boy Scouts of Canada which you could share confidentially with Mr. Ernst to our National Office would help strengthen our file regarding registration refusal in the future.

Please let me know if we can be of further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Browning, Jr.  
Associate Director  
International Division

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cc: Clifford A. Eng  
Paul L. Ernst, SIUO



## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office  
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December 13, 1988

SUBJECT: PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM JOHN ANDERSON

From: Paul Ernst, S108

To: Robert Browning, S221

I have carefully read the letter from Ken Moore of the Boy Scouts of Canada and established that we do not have a Confidential File at the present time.

I called the Detroit Area Council and talked to Tom Trainer related to this matter. He was very familiar with Bill Anderson and the fact that he had been registered with the Boy Scouts of America over a period of years.

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Let me know if you need more material.

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November 22, 1988

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Mr. Clifford Eng  
Director, International Division  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, Texas 75038-3096  
USA

Confidential

Subject: William John Anderson - Detroit Council

Dear Clifford;

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It would be helpful to us in considering the appeal of Mr. Anderson, if your Detroit office could provide us with the circumstances around which his case evolved and their decision to move into an acceptable category, if in fact, this is the case.

Our file as such, contains absolutely no information relative to his service in the Detroit or any other council in Boy Scouts of America.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours truly,



K.N. Moore  
Executive Director  
Administration Services

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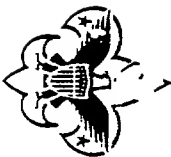
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ERIN O'RILEY



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Dec. 9, 1988

PAUL ERNST --

Please review attached. Any info or guidance you can offer regarding a response to Canada will be appreciated.

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Bob.

Robert M. Browning, Jr.  
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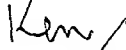
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